

Sisters' S. C. E.

FROM THE PRESIDENT.

Dear Sisters of the Endeavor: I am glad that the work of our Society is still moving on. A society has been organized recently at Burn's Chapel, near Akron, Ind. There I tried to organize more than a year ago and failed. Now however, there has been a change of feeling, and they have organized themselves. There are several other points in that part of Indiana where there ought to be organizations, and we trust they will follow the example of Burn's Chapel Congregation. Why should there not be an organization in every church in the Brotherhood? There are only a very few if any churches too weak to sustain one, and the weak churches need them most, for if carried on with that spirit, and energy, and enthusiasm that should characterize Christian workers, they will prove a source of strength to the church. Last winter when I was among the hills of South Western Pennsylvania, I organized a society at Alleppo. The weather and roads were distressingly bad, the membership was not well represented. The Society organized was but a small one, and prospects did not look very bright, but they are wide awake in church work; they have a pastor who is active, and energetic, and recently I have had a very encouraging report from that Society. Financially they are doing well,—earning about \$5 per month. Spiritual good we cannot measure by dollars and cents, but we know that those who are Christian Endeavorers, not only in name, but in deed and truth, doing with their might what their hands find to do, will "grow in grace and in the knowledge of the truth." Spiritually, financially and socially, the society will help the church, if conducted in the fear of God and with a desire to promote His glory.

I am glad to learn that at Meyersdyle a County Convention of the S. S. C. E. will be held the last of December. This is another progressive move, and one which we trust others will follow. There are many counties in the different states which could hold very enjoyable and successful and helpful conventions. Many of the members of the different Societies, who cannot attend the National and State Conventions, could enjoy the pleasures and benefits of the County Convention.

And now dear Sisters, let me appeal to you once more, to tell us of your work in the EVANGELIST. You who have been so successful, will you not tell others the secret of your success? Do not hide your light under a bushel.

A sister from Michigan, in a letter ask-

ed me "How shall we get our sisters to attend our meetings more regularly?" Will not some of our sisters answer this question? Sister Beachley of Meyersdale, you have succeeded so well in this direction in your Society,—will you not tell others your methods? Let all answer this question who can.

Why can we not have a question box in our department of the paper, in which practical questions relative to the work of the S. S. C. E. might be asked and answered. It might be made very helpful.

It is now the twentieth of October, and we trust you have all promptly forwarded your remittances to Sister Keim. Her address has been changed to Gratis, O., but if remittances were sent to Ashland they will be forwarded to her. Let us have a good report this fall, one that we shall be proud to see go into the hands of our people all over the brotherhood. May our Father help us more and more to work earnestly and faithfully for the advancement of His cause, *now* while it is day for the night cometh. Yours for the cause.

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King's Children.

JUNIOR WORK.

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Its Purpose, its Benefits and its Results. In this age of progression, when it seems necessary to organize all our forces to do successful work of any kind, we should be ready to band the children together, to work for Jesus. They are anxious to do something, and can do so much more by being united.

This I believe, is the purpose of the Junior King's Children, to develop their character, promote spiritual culture, and prepare them for Christian duty. Solomon says: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it." And Paul's advice is, "Provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." But you will say, so many children do not have Christian parents, a fact which makes Junior work of double importance, for so many times fathers and mothers are brought to Christ, through the efforts of their children. "A little child shall lead them."

Then the way to do successful work, is to have some one take charge of the children who loves them, and is willing to make sacrifices for them, for that is necessary in all Christian work.

It should also be one who will come down on a level with them, and be one of them, and in all their little joys and sorrows, always meet them with a smile.

Another absolute necessity, is, *child* study. Children, like grown people have different dispositions and ways, and we should know just how to take them, and what to expect of them.

There is the bright boy or girl who is inclined to be a little mischievous, give them plenty of work to do, and you have conquered them. Then the timid children should not be overlooked. Do not expect as much of them, but give them the little things to do, and teach them that they are just as important as the great ones, and that what is worth doing at all, is worth doing well.

Above all, don't expect too much of a child, but remember they are only starting the work, and by and by, when they grow older, they will be able to do more, and when they do the best they can, be sure you always give them the proper encouragement.

The benefits of Junior work are many. By giving children something good to do, you keep them from doing evil, and that certainly is worth working for.

Some of the most faithful church workers I have ever known, were Juniors, and I know any wide-awake pastor will sustain me, when I say that no church can afford to get along without the cooperation and support of the children.

It will be but a few years until they will take our places, and we will be forgotten. Then how important it is, that we should do our best for them, and by them, and heaven alone will reveal the result.

No doubt you have all read of the drunkard, who sat by the wayside looking so sad and lonely, when a sweet little girl came up, and touching his arm, said: "I am so sorry for you, and so is Jesus." The words though few in number, and simply spoken, were the means of changing his life.

A little three-year-old boy, whose father does not attend divine service, said when he came home from church with his mamma: "Well, my boy, what did the preacher talk about to-day?" When the little fellow promptly replied: "Why, about Jesus of course. But," said he, "Papa, won't you go with mamma and me next Sunday, and then you can hear for yourself?" The father promised he would go sometime.

No one can resist the pleading voice of a child, especially if it is your own, and I have heard a good many parents say, they owed their conversion to their little boy or girl.

Another grand result of Junior work is, that it brings the children into the church early in life, and fits them for active work, and they make better men and women